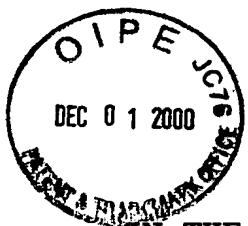


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Kindly amend the claims of the above-identified patent application as follows.

1-1. (Amended) A method of partially plating a substrate for electronic devices, comprising arranging small balls at selected portions of a substrate for mounting semiconductor devices thereon, [or a substrate for mounting electronic devices thereon and including a lead frame], and adhering or bonding the small balls thereto, and melting the small balls, thereby selectively plating the selected portions of the substrate for electronic devices with a different metal. *A*

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